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1. Following the purge of Djilas, the Central Committee of the Yugoslav Communist Party removed Veljko Vlahovic from his position as director of "Borba." Vlahovic, who is a member of the Central Committee of the Yugoslav Communist Party, has been named President of the Congressional Committee for Culture and also President of the Commission for International Relations, a post previously held by Djilas. The position of President of the Commission for International Relations has with his appointment diminished greatly in importance, because he will not travel much.
2. Vlahovic has been replaced as director of "Borba" by Veljko Begovic. This appointment is considered as a rapprochement between Moscow and Tito. Begovic is an old time Yugoslav Communist, who was forced to live in exile from 1932 to 1945, returning only after the secession of Tito to power to become Vice President of the Commission for Planned Economy, and President of the Economic Counsel of the FNRJ, as well as a member of the Central Committee of the Communist Union of Yugoslavia. He was born in 1905 in the Srebrenica district of Bosnia.

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3. Among the newly elected members of the Executive Committee of Yugoslavia, the Croat Slavko Komar is one of the most interesting personalities. Together with Ivan Krajsic, regional chief of UDBA (Yugoslav Secret Police) for Croatia, he will be the leading Croat personality.

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4. The only other Croat members of the Executive Committee are Ivan Krajsic, UDBA General, and Anka Berus, Communist financial and economic expert. Krajsic is the most powerful man in Croatia and a close collaborator of Alexander Rankovic.

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